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Wing declared ‘Excellent’ by PACAF IG

By Staff Sgt. Alan Williams
Fuji Flyer Editor

Monday, as the Pacific Air Forces Inspector General team dubbed the 374th Airlift Wing “Excellent,” the decibel level inside the Yokota Enlisted Club ballroom rose at the announcement of wing’s overall rating for the Initial Response Readiness Inspection held March 4-7.

The wing went through a series of exercises over the past 6 months, all in order to be ready when the IG team arrived.

“I know the past few months have been hectic for all of us as the wing prepared for the PACAF Initial Response Readiness Inspection,” said Col. Mark Zamzow, 374th Airlift Wing commander, in an interview after the inspection. Along with some of our tenant units, we’ve been training extremely hard on every aspect of our five fundamental wartime missions: Deployment, Employment, Reception, Non-combatant Evacuation Operations, and Base Defense.”

The IRRI provides an independent assessment of the wing’s capability to respond to contingency taskings as well as to other situations that could adversely affect operations here and throughout the Asia-Pacific



photo by Senior Master Sgt. Gordon Van Vleet

Airman Basic Nicholas Kermgard, 374th Services Division, takes down one of the dining tents in Tent City at Wilkins Field, right. During the IRRI the wing was tasked to expand its ability to receive incoming forces. The Services Division set up 28 tents with field equipment, and four kitchen tents with cooking equipment.

theater.

“The IG’s assessment not only validated our wing’s ability to support any military operation in the Pacific theater,” said

Zamzow, “but also showed once again that Yokota is more than just a base – it’s an extraordinary team! A team of professionals prepared to handle any challenge, combined



with a community that understands the importance of our presence in Japan and accepts those inconveniences that arise when we conduct training.

“I’d like to give a special thanks to the men and women of the 730th Air Mobility Squadron, formerly the 630th Air Mobility Support Squadron until this week, for the immeasurable training and inspection support they’ve given us. We couldn’t have done it without our AMC partners!”

Each of the five fundamentals was evaluated in depth by PACAF with few to no findings collectively.

As part of the inspection, Yokotans were subjected to bomb threats, hostage situations, physical security breaches, power out-

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Yokota sees the birth of a squadron

By Senior Master Sgt. Gordon Van Vleet
374th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 630th Air Mobility Support Squadron was deactivated and the 730th Air Mobility Squadron was activated in a ceremony at the Taiyo Recreation Center Thursday.

Riding on a wave of change brought down by Air Mobility Command, the activation of the 730 AMS comes in line with the deactivation of the 615th Air Mobility Support Group and the activation of the 715th Air Mobility Operations Group at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.

Because timing of the ceremony coincided with headquarters’ group deactivation and activation ceremony, the senior officer to pass the flags was the commander of the 630 AMSS, Col. Paul Williams. Williams relinquished the 630 AMSS flag to Chief Master Sgt. Clovis Rudd, the most senior time-in-service member of the squadron and Williams activated the 730 AMS by giving the new squadron flag to Airman Carlos Spells, the most junior time-in-service squadron member.

“As we activate the 730 AMS we’re the same people,

with the same mission, but now with a name that recognizes our ‘operational’ role,” said Williams.

“We have much to be proud of, but what I think we should be most proud of is not what happened on our watch as the 630 AMSS, but what didn’t happen,” Williams said. “During our watch, no war was fought, no lives or freedom lost on the (Korean) Peninsula.

“We did our job and never failed,” the colonel said. “And as we retire the colors of the 630 AMSS we should think about the squadron that most of the world never knew and will never remember – but a squadron that did its job so well it preserved peace ... a goal no soldier, sailor, airman or Marine could be more proud of accomplishing.”

The lineage of the 630 AMSS is one to be proud of said Williams. “... we fought in World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam. We were often recognized for outstanding achievements.

“For the past six years, the 630th AMSS has provided the fixed, deployed command and control, aerial port, and maintenance required to provide our nation Global Reach in the western Pacific,” said Williams. “We’ve launched

tens of thousands of aircraft, moved hundreds of thousands of passengers and loaded millions of pounds of cargo ... and we’ve done it exceptionally well.

This outstanding service is evident in the awards taken by the 630 AMSS. The squadron has earned two Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards, two Global Reach Awards for Best Overall En Route Unit, Best Logistics Flight, Maintenance Effectiveness Awards, Best Air Mobility Control Center, Ground Safety Achievement Awards and innumerable individual awards.

Stating that the mission of the squadron will continue with the same outstanding, professional service provided in the past, Williams summed up the squadron’s goal by saying, “I’m confident that through our dedication and perseverance we will continue to be a force for stability, freedom and peace in the region.”

As the ceremony concluded and the squadron’s members filed out of the Taiyo, new squadron hats and coins with 730 AMS depicted on them were given to each airman providing the final gesture in the birth of a new squadron.●

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ages, fires, explosions, malicious logic attacks – also known as computer viruses — and many other scenarios that would require actions outside of the normal day to day responses. Almost every scenario terminated with ease as Team Yokota’s synergy showed itself time and time again.

“The entire Yokota Community itself deserves a pat on the back as well. Among many other things, they took last week’s “morning rush hour” closure of Airlift Avenue — due to an IG simulated fire and explosion — in stride,” he added. “My thanks to them for patiently enduring that inconvenience; and for continually recognizing that such training is necessary to maintain the readiness of our military members.”

There are numerous ways to describe the 374 AW, but the IG team used some of the better adjectives. Some of their choice words were: unflappable, impeccable, superb, noteworthy, exceptional, flawless exemplary, expertly, error-free, thorough, comprehensive, effective

... and the list goes on.

“It’s time to celebrate this most recent success, and “reimburse” some of the time donated to sustain our high degree of readiness,” said Zamzow. “I’d like everyone to join the wing during our “Victory Picnic” at the Taiyo Recreation Center and Snyder Field Park April 2, and enjoy a day of relaxation or family time as April 6 is now declared a Wing Family Day for 374 AW personnel.

“Everyone should be extremely proud of this Excellent grade — I certainly am, and have never been prouder to be a part of any organization or community! Thanks for being who you are!” he said.

“Now, with last week’s inspection finally behind us, it’s clear that all the hard work has paid off as the PACAF Inspector General rated our wing as Excellent! WAY TO GOMEN AND WOMEN OF THE 374th AIRLIFT WING! Once again, we’ve shown PACAF why we’re the best wing in the command!”●

PACAF outstanding performers and teams

The following individuals and teams were identified during the Pacific Air Forces Inspector General’s Initial Response Readiness Inspection.

374th Airlift Wing
Capts. Jeffrey Lumm and Louis Orndorf, 1st Lt. Ghia Simmons and Tech. Sgts. Henry Carillo and Joseph Davis.

374th Operations Group
Master Sgt. Sally Lockley

374th Support Group
Capt. Paul Swenson and Tech. Sgt. Anthony Flowers

30th Airlift Squadron
Capt. Dereck Barnes, 1st Lt. Lee Irwin, Airmen 1st Class Bobby Kennedy and Williams Quartrone

36th Airlift Squadron
Capt. Christopher Johannssen, 1st Lt. Mike Tung, Tech. Sgt. Douglas Dahart, Staff Sgts. Jonathan Dowell and Harry Stone

374th Transportation Squadron
Capt. Timothy Bunnel, Tech. Sgt. Frank Tuck, Staff Sgts. Greg Bourroughs, Robert Speigner,

Michael Stansberry and Anthony Whiting, and Senior Airman Shawn Zamudio

374th Medical Support Squadron
Capt. Steve Bodily and Senior Airman Walter Carr

374th Civil Engineer Squadron
Capt. Ryan Elliot, Tech. Sgt. John Cahill IV, Senior Airman Shannon Gatewood, Airman 1st Class Mason Preiss and Tammy O’Neill and Yoichi Sudo

374th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron
Capt. Kelli Lorenzo and Staff Sgt. Toni Magnia

374th Medical Operations Squadron

Capt. Nancy Smiley
374th Supply Squadron
Tech. Sgts. Richard Bortree, Joseph Cabral, Ferndinand Lopez, and Sybil Matten, Staff Sgts. Paul Harrison, Mark Obert, Abdon Sidwell and Nathan Wendt

374th Communications Squadron
Tech Sgt. Leslie KeKuewa, Staff Sgts. Devoe Donaldson, and

Staff Sgt. Emelinda Ordonas
374th Comptroller Squadron
Staff Sgts. Willie Dial and Dion Price

374th Security Forces Squadron
Staff Sgts. Robert Kochan and Kevin O’Harrow and Airman Krystal Sewell

374th Aerospace Medicine Squadron

Senior Airman Erica Schutte

374th Maintenance Squadron
Senior Airman Keith Southern

374th Mission Support Squadron

Lana Smith

730th Air Mobility Squadron
Staff Sgt. Brandon Macal

Defense Finance Accounting Service-Japan

Marine Staff Sgt. Stephen Cole

Military Working Dog Team
Staff Sgt. Briam Robertson and MWD Lewis

Hostage Negotiation Team
Tech. Sgt. Timothy Fearney, Staff Sgt. Benoit Wyble, and Airmen 1st Class Tracey Tellyer and Douglas Hillman III

Misawa’s runway to temporarily close June 1

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - The Misawa runway will close June 11 at midnight and reopen June 18 at midnight to repair the critically degraded first 1,200 feet of asphalt pavement on the runway’s west end.

During the closure, no military or commercial aircraft will use the runway. This ensures the runway can be repaired

in a timely manner.

Plans are underway to find alternate arrival and departure points for all travelers during the closure.

According to Brig. Gen. Chip Utterback, 35th Fighter Wing commander, many factors were considered in selecting an appropriate closure date. These factors include the mission and weather patterns,

as well as contractor, equipment and crew availability.

“Early selection of the runway repair date is necessary to allow proper coordination with airfield users, airfield management, contracting elements and engineering personnel,” said Utterback. “Additionally, early coordination with the contractor allows advance scheduling of highly

specialized airfield paving equipment.

“We regret any inconvenience the closure may cause to those who use our runway,” said Utterback. “However, it is important the runway repair be completed so we can ensure continued safe operations for both commercial and military flights both into and out of Misawa Air Base.” (PACAFNS)●

NEWS AROUND THE AIR FORCE & PACAF

Burger King recalls ‘rattling, paddling, riverboat toy’:
- DALLAS — Burger King Corporation and the Alcone Marketing Group, in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, are voluntarily recalling 400,000 ‘rattling, paddling, riverboat toys.’ The recall affects Burger King restaurants owned and operated by the

Army and Air Force Exchange Service. The toy is a plastic boat with a paddle wheel. The recall was initiated because of a concern that metal pins with plastic caps that attach the paddle wheel can come out and pose a choking hazard. The U.S. Product Safety Commission said there have been no reported injuries connected to this toy.

AAFES Burger King officials said customers should not return toy to Burger King restaurants. Instead, a consumer hotline has been set up to receive consumer calls and provide instructions on how to return the toy and receive a replacement toy. The contact number is (800) 661-9173.

Lockheed Martin demon-

strates new U-2 cockpit display:
PALMDALE, Calif. (AFPN) — Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company’s U-2 Dragon Lady Reconnaissance Avionics Maintainability Program, or RAMP, a cockpit modernization upgrade, has been undergoing testing for more than two months now, after beginning flights three months ahead of schedule.

RAMP will upgrade the

1960s-vintage cockpit with newly installed equipment, including three 6-by-8-inch multifunction displays, an up-front control and display unit, and an independent secondary flight display system. The new equipment replaces older systems that are no longer supportable and provides improved pilot situational awareness. The entire fleet of 31 U-2S models and four two-cockpit trainers will be modified before the project is completed in 2007.

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Civil Air Patrol squadron chartered at Yokota

By Rebecca M. Bennett
CWE staff writer

After meeting for several months as an unofficial organization, the Yokota Cadet Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol finally received their charter three weeks ago, granting the cadets membership into the elite and only official civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force.

The cadets, all Yokota youths between the ages of 12 and 18, meet on a regular basis under the command of Lt. Col. Gerry Bader.

The Civil Air Patrol stresses three points of training with its young cadets: aerospace education, cadet programs, and emergency services. Bader stresses the differentiation between the JROTC program offered at Yokota High School and the CAP by explaining that it “focuses on aerospace training, [and is] not necessarily centered on kids interested in military careers.”

Cadets receive stringent training on all matters of aerospace, from mechanics to technology and even aero-

space medicine. “The CAP is a volunteering organization,” said Bader, “... it’s important to volunteer your time for the support of the community.”

Having been involved in the Civil Air Patrol as a deputy commander and commander since 1985, Bader has seen her share of kids deeply affected by their experience. In particular, the CAP has molded young people into young leaders through their rigorous training in the air and in real-world situations.

“I saw it as a very worthwhile organization that makes good leaders because of their training,” she said.

The Yokota Cadet Squadron of the CAP meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. in the 36th Airlift Squadron briefing room, and is still looking for cadets ages 12 through 18.

Also, active duty Air Force servicemembers are asked to donate their used uniforms to the squadron. For more information, call 225-2504 or 227-4787.



MilMod to replace personnel system

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFP) — In less than two months, military personnelists throughout the Air Force, Air National Guard and Reserve will begin using state-of-the-art technology to process “total force” personnel information.

The Air Force Military Personnel Data System Modernization program, or MilMod, will be turned on May 1, replacing the 1970s technology currently being used with a relational database using the Oracle Human Resources software. It has been more than 20 years since the last major update.

“We’ve been working hard for nearly five years building this modernized system to take Air Force personnel processing into the next century,” said Lt. Col. Ed Oliver, MilMod program manager at the Air Force Personnel Center here. “Our folks have been working seriously long hours to get this new system up and running by the May 1 deadline. We’re now in the final stretch and are building the world’s largest, and we think the best, human resource system.”

This new system will support all “life cycle” personnel management functions from recruiting through job assignment and ultimately separation or retirement. It will provide real-time updating and reporting

capabilities that are not available in today’s Personnel Data System, Oliver said.

“Current automation technology is being leveraged to improve support at all levels and is the foundation for building a robust integrated personnel system for the total force,” he said.

The new system has several inherent improvements over the current system. The most apparent improvement is the graphical-user interface, which will give personnel technicians online, real-time access to personnel information.

“We’ve also standardized the support we’re providing to the total force,” Oliver said. “This will improve system support to the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve personnel processes.”

But, as with any new system, there will be a transition period where the normal personnel functions that people use will be unavailable, officials said. There will be a nine-day period prior to the implementation date where no personnel transactions will be accepted into the systems being replaced. All active-duty, Guard and Reserve members are urged to complete any personnel actions before April 21 to ensure the transactions are processed prior to the transition, or people can wait until MilMod comes online May 1.

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Action Line

Q Recently my wife was going to work when traffic was held up at the gate. After waiting a few minutes, she walked up to inquire on the situation. She was told the gate was temporarily closed for an exercise scenario. My wife works off base. Luckily, when she got to work a half hour late there were no repercussions by her employer. I know exercises are important, but like others, a second income is very important to us. Is there anyway to prevent this from happening again?

A Gate closures are no fun when you're the one waiting in line, but they are necessary. Our ability to rapidly close the base down is a vital component in deterring certain types of crime and terrorist activity. Should deterrence fail, rapid closure of the base gives us a significant edge in ensuring the criminal or terrorist is apprehended. As a result, we need to exercise this part of our force protection regularly. Delays such as these are the necessary price we pay to ensure we are continually "war ready."

Certainly, we'll minimize the active gate closure time as much as possible within the exercise development.

On a related note, whenever a cordon is set up by security forces personnel or our fire department due to an actual or exercise situation (fire, bomb threat, etc.), we ask folks not to complain to those personnel enforcing the restricted area. Please obey their directions -- it is for the safety of you and others.

A second chance at life

By Tech. Sgt. Michael T. Hoffman
730th Air Mobility Squadron

For those who might be wondering whose van that was parked next to the base DUI sign, we'll it was mine! I've decided to write an article for the *Fuji Flyer* explaining what happened and what I went through in hopes that anyone who saw the van or reading this article won't make the same stupid mistake I did.

I'd just returned from my COT leave after the holidays on the third of Jan. 3, a Friday night. Still suffering from jet-lag and a bit restless I took my kids to their friend's house and decided to get out of the house for a while. Jan. 5, 2001 is a date I will remember the rest of my life! My 20-year Air Force career was ruined but more importantly I almost left my kids fatherless, did I mention I'm a single parent?

After having a few drinks at the enlisted club, I left my van parked there and walked off base to bar row. I had dinner at a Thai restaurant with a few more drinks and then went to a couple other drinking establishments and drank a few more. While walking back to the base I made another bad judgment call, I'd convinced myself that even under the influence and tired from my COT travel I was OK to drive. This turned out to be a huge mistake, especially considering the dangerous combination of fatigue and alcohol.

I remember driving around

the south overrun towards the east side of the base and telling myself it's a nice straight shot to my house and man I was definitely ready for bed. That was the last thing I remember, until I woke up hanging upside down in my van. I do recall thinking after my van hit the guardrail, is this van ever going to stop? The whole event felt like slow motion before my eyes during the accident and my van would not stop sliding! Finally my van hit the other guardrail across the driveway, and then I was right side up again. My foot was stuck, my face was cut, and I had an instant and massive headache.

I managed to somehow pull my foot loose and climb out of the passenger side window. As you might imagine I was a little dazed from the ordeal and fortunately somebody passing by stopped and gave me a ride to the emergency room. I never found out that person's name, but I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to him.

While lying in my hospital bed I began to try and evaluate what exactly had happened. I called my daughter and told her I'd had an accident but didn't have the courage to tell her it was because of drinking and driving. After being released from the hospital a friend picked me up and we drove to have a look at my van. I saw my blood on the door and what was left of my van. Now would begin the

process to see what would happen to me and how it would affect my life in the Air Force.

I'd never received an Article 15 in my Air Force career. Even more difficult was as, a master sergeant it was hard to face the people in the squadron and my commander. While waiting to receive my Article 15 from the commander I thought of the difficult situation I had put him in on trying to decide what punishment to give me. I had plenty of support from my supervisors and for that I am grateful. The unfortunate thing was the squadron had just recently had another DUI two months prior to mine. My commander had taken a stripe from a one striper and if I hadn't lost my stripe too, I wouldn't have been able to look that individual in the eye because he happened to work for me. Now that I am a technical sergeant it was hard to come back to work and face all the people that I work with. But with all the military career issues aside, by far the hardest thing out of all this was explaining to my two kids what I had done. As I mentioned, I'm a single father and my children mean everything to me. This was one of the hardest things I have ever had to do.

So please don't make the same mistake I did. It's not often we get a second chance at life, and I'm going to make the best of it for my family and friends. Please - THINK BEFORE YOU DRINK. Call 225-RIDE.

ACTION LINE 225-TEAM

action.lines@yokota.af.mil

The Action Line is your direct line to me. Use it if you have questions or comments about Yokota, which couldn't be resolved by your chain of command. When you call, please leave your name and phone number so you can be reached if more information is needed.

Col. Mark Zamzow
374th Airlift Wing Commander



DUI Prevention

March 7-13 DUIs:	3
Total DUIs in March:	4
Total DUIs in 2001:	12
Record DUI-free streak:	85

Punishment
.05-.07=14 days walking, 6 points
.08-.09=90 days walking, 6 points
.10 and above=one year walking, 6 points
Don't drink and drive, call 225-RIDE
(All stats as of March 6)



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Michael Young, a refueling unit operator, services a helicopter . This only part of what the Fuels Management Flight does, but every month the flight distributes more than 3 million gallons of aviation fuel while servicing approximately 500 aircraft.

Fuels Management Yokota's Lifeblood

By Jennifer Prentkiewicz
CWE staff writer

You've probably seen large fuel trucks heading off to the flight line. These trucks weigh in at 23,960 pounds, excluding the fuel. At 102 inches high, and 452 inches long, they can and do provide fuel for all of Yokota's aircraft.

The dedicated personnel who work at the Fuels Management Flight provide re-fueling support 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They stand ready to distribute fuel whenever they are needed, using on average 3.3 million gallons of aviation fuel to supply about 500 aircraft each month.

Not only does Fuels Management Flight provide fuel for aircraft, but they also furnish petroleum for the Yokota community. Petroleum is unloaded from railcars on Yokota and pumped into tanks. This petroleum is then picked up and taken to Yokota's service station to provide gasoline for our cars.

To top that off, fuel is also taken to heat plants where it is used to heat our homes and businesses.

"Teamwork is essential," said 1st Lt. Mark Clifford, the commander of Fuels Management Flight, "not only within our own flight, but with outside organizations to ensure we accomplish our mission."

In another section of fuels called cryo-

genics, Staff Sgt. Jerry Williams distributes liquid oxygen and nitrogen. Liquid oxygen, stored at a temperature of 297 degrees below zero, is the air breathed by aircraft pilots during their missions and is used in hospitals. Liquid nitrogen is also used for pressuring the fuel tanks and servicing aircraft's tires.

"Cryogenics within the Air Force plays an integral part of the overall Air Force mission," said Williams.

Senior Master Sgt. George Treloar added, "We not only provide fuel for Yokota's customers, but we support the various community programs, such as the chapel's homeless ministry."

Without the fuel said Treloar, "Pilots are pedestrians."



photos by Jennifer Prentkiewicz

Satoru Mineo, a refueling unit operator, fills one of the many service vehicles with more than 23,000 pounds of fuel.

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730 AMS puts “go” in cargo



Precision and communication are crucial for Senior Airman Tyler Loftis as he signals for Staff Sgt. Sean Roth to stop the 60k Tunner loader as it approaches the C-17's cargo ramp. It can be driven up to an aircraft, adjust to the correct height and use its conveyer system to unload cargo.



Senior Airman Tyler Loftis secures the unloaded cargo to the 60K Tunner loader's cargo deck.



Airman First Class Michael Ostertag guides Staff Sgt. Sean Roth in adjusting the 60K Tunner loader's cargo deck so he and the loadmaster can unload two fuel tanks. The loader's deck has pitch, roll, yaw and a side-to-side adjustment for quick interface with all military and commercial cargo aircraft.

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Movie Theater

The movie schedule is as follows:
Today — *Emperor’s New Groove*, G, 6:30 p.m.; *3,000 Miles to Graceland*, R, 9 p.m.
Saturday — *Emperor’s New Groove*, G, 6:30 p.m.; *3,000 Miles to Graceland*, R, 9 p.m.
Sunday — *Emperor’s New Groove*, G, 2 p.m.; *3,000 Miles to Graceland*, R, 7 p.m.
Monday — *Miss Congeniality*, PG-13, 7 p.m.
Tuesday — *Miss Congeniality*, PG-13, 7 p.m.
Wednesday — *Men of Honor*, R, 7 p.m.
Thursday — *The Mexican*, R, 7 p.m.
All movies and showtimes are subject to change without notice. For information, call 225-8708.

Commander’s Channel

The Channel 18 schedule is as follows:
Family views — Today through Wednesday, 7 p.m., *Handling Your Anger*, from a student workshop series geared to young teens to help them recognize anger triggers, anger styles, and cope with conflict in more constructive ways.
Thursday, 7 p.m., *Working Parents and Your Preschooler*, from the “Building Blocks for Successful Parenting” series created to give parents real help and real tools they can use right away.
Air Force News — daily at 3 p.m.

AFAF drive

There are two weeks left in this year’s Air Force Assistance Fund campaign. This is a unique charity because the contributions come back to benefit active-duty personnel and their family members.
The Air Force Aid Society is one component of the AFAF. They give free child care, phone cards and car care coupons for deployed members, family member education grants, free clothing and blankets for new parents, along with emergency aid to pay for groceries, utility bills, car repairs, or a plane ticket home for a funeral.
Contributions are tax deductible if you itemize your deductions. See your squadron point of contact.

Women’s conference

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints will hold a women’s conference for all women 18 and up at the officers’ club ball room from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The day’s agenda consists of a general session, three workshops, a light luncheon and a rendition of the play “Women

at the Well.” For more information, call 227-3394.
St. Patrick’s Day hash
The Kamikaze Hash House Harriers will host their annual St. Patrick’s Day hash Saturday at 1 p.m. behind the Main Fitness Center, The cost is \$5. Wear a green dress and bring 1,000 yen for refreshments on the trail. For more information call Edo Forsyth at 042-530-3525 or e-mail edosan@gol.com.

Car wash

The Protestant Youth of the Chapel are having car washes from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and March 31 at the west chapel.

Bazaar

The Annual Charity Oakleaf Oriental Bazaar will be held Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The bazaar will be held at the Yokosuka Fleet Recreation Center. All proceeds will benefit Yokosuka Naval Hospital and Dental Center Patient Care.

Lucky seven bingo

Come to the Enlisted Club Ballroom Sunday and win big. Cards go on sale at 2 p.m., and early bird games start at 3 p.m. This is open to all Enlisted and Officers’ Club Members.

Saint Patrick’s Day

Theme bingo — Family Outreach is sponsoring a youth and teen bingo tonight at 6 p.m. for ages 12-18. Cost is \$5 and \$3 for people wearing green.
Teen Center — St. Patrick’s Day theme dance, tonight from 6 to 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members.
East Youth Center — Green dance, tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. Wear green and enjoy fun, food and prizes to the tunes of today’s most popular music.
Officers’ club — Saint Patrick’s Day theme party, tonight starting at 4:30 p.m in the Sumo Lounge. Wear fabulous and fun green apparel and take part in the wacky games and contests for prizes.
Enlisted club — Come to the Spectrum Lounge Saturday from 10 p.m. to midnight and enjoy corned steamship round, cabbage, potatoes and green beer. Dance to Sham-Rock music until 2 a.m.
Tomodachi Lanes — Sign up for the St. Patty’s Bowling Tournament, Saturday. For more information, call 225-7615.
Tama Hills — Come to the Tama

Lodge Hillcrest Lounge Saturday from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. and dance the night away to Tama’s popular Hip Hop DJ while enjoying specialty frozen cocktails. Call 224-3421 to reserve a room.
Parents sports forum
Get involved in the Youth Sports Program by attending the Parent’s Sports Forum Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m. at the East Youth Center.

Yujo tours

The Yujo is offering a tour to: — Hiroshima, March 23-26.
Sign up at the Yujo.

Strawberry picking trip

The East Youth Center is having a day of family fun at Mother Farm March 24 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Enjoy picking strawberries and more with your children for \$10 per person.

Services bazaar

Come to the Yujo Recreation Center March 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and shop until you drop. They will have all the crafts, gifts, collectibles, toys, accessories, pottery, and china you want and more.

Auto skills closure

The Auto Skills Center will be closed March 24 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. due to a power outage. The Auto Skills Center will re-open at 9 a.m. March 25. For more information, call 225-7623.

Skills giveaways

The Skills Development Center is celebrating Arts and Crafts Month with a giveaway a day. Stop by the Skills Development Center and register for a prize each day in the month of March. For more information, call 225-7837.

Commissary closed

The base commissary will be closed March 26-27 for annual inventory. It will reopen March 28 at 8:30 a.m. for early bird shopping customers (purchases of 15 items or less) and 10 a.m. for regular customers.

Utility receipt deadline

Due to the Japanese fiscal year 2000 ending March 31, all off-base utility receipts paid through that day, must be submitted to Bldg. 314, Room 221 by close of business April 6.

In the New Special Measures Agreement between the U.S. and the Government of Japan, the off-base utility cost sharing program will be terminated. Receipts submitted after the deadline represent money lost to the U.S. government. Termination of the program will not affect your Living Quarters Allowance and Overseas Housing Allowance.
For more information, call 225-7958.

Supply closed

The 374th Supply Squadron Individual Equipment Element will be closed Monday through March 23 for inventory.

Tops in Blue

Tops is Blue 2001 is looking for trumpet, trombone and saxophone players to possibly tour this year. For more information, call 225-3218.

Buddhist seminar

There will be a buddhist seminar at the East Elementary School March 25 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. The theme is “Happiness for Peace, Peace for Society.” For more information, call 227-5914.

Asian bazaar

The Yokota Officers’ Spouses’ Club is holding the Spring Asian bazaar April 21-22 at Hangar 15. Proceeds from the bazaar are returned to the Yokota community through donations to the schools, library, clubs and organizations, family and youth programs and Air Force-wide programs.
Volunteers are needed from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 21 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 22. Anyone who is SOFA-sponsored and at least 14 years old can volunteer. Volunteers assist vendors with sales and are entitled to early shopping before the bazaar opens. For each hour worked volunteers earn a chance to win doorprizes donated by the vendors. To volunteer, call 227-5497 or 227-5224.

Customer appreciation

374th Services Division’s third annual customer appreciation week is March 25-31. Pick up a book of rules, prizes and discounts from the Taiyo Recreation Center March 25.

Appreciation meal

The Samurai Cafe is saluting its patrons with a customer appreciation lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 26.

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WANTED

Fence — For 3-bedroom garden, in good condition. 227-5638.(1)

Someone to fix small home Xerox copier — 227-3348.(2)

LOST & FOUND

Lost — Panasonic PV-SD 4090 digital camera at the base gym March 1. 227-3813.(1)

Lost — Titleist 990, 9 iron, \$400 shaft, at the Tama Hills golf course, turn in to Par 3 or at Tama Hills. 090-1667-0064.(2)

HELP WANTED

Piano teacher — \$60 per month. 227-2363.(1)

Apartment cleaning — Someone to clean a 2-bedroom tower apartment once every two weeks starting first week of April, could be a part-time job for a reliable student over 16 with parent’s permission, no laundry or dishes, \$10 an hour, max three hours. 227-6011 after March 24.(1)

Swim coach — Natatorium is looking for a qualified swim coach for the Stingray team. 225-6133.(1)

Special needs childcare providers — Family Childcare Office is looking for providers who would like to work with special needs children. 225-8192.(1)

Substitute teachers — At Yokota High School, qualifications are high school diploma, 15 semester hours of college credit, U.S. citizen and SOFA sponsored. 225-7018.(1)

Special education aid — Canidates must have experience, education and/or training that demonstrates their ability to provide support services to children with disabilities in an educational environment. 225-7018.(1)

Bathroom/kitchen cleaning — Two or three days per week for tower apartment on east side. 227-9078.(1)

Shakespeare fan — Who can help me read Hamlet or understand the movies related to it, 3,000 yen per hour, in Hamura, 10 minutes from Fussa gate. 070-5560-1035.(1)

Nursery school teacher — Looking for an American English-speaking individual to lead an off-base nursery school class two mornings a month, no experience necessary, just enjoy working with kids, must be reliable. 227-2315.(2)

Acoustic guitarist — For live performances. 227-6310.(2)

Nutritionists/dietitians/nurses — Requires a BS in nutrition, dietetics, nursing or home economics with an emphasis in prenatal, maternal or infant nutrition, or registered dietitian. Job requirements include computer experience, must have current driver’s license, experience in WIC program preferred, frequent travel may be required. 800-231-3393.(3)

WIC program assistants — Requires high school diploma or equivalent with secretarial/business office experience or education, BS or associates in business/office management preferred. Job requirements include frequent travel, strong communication skills and keyword 40-60 wpm. 800-

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231-3393.(3)

Sales representative — For Panasonic at the base Power Zone. 03-5404-8826.(3)

PETS

Male Sheba — Free to a good home, 2 1/2 years old, sweet dog with great personality, neutered, has all shots and is microchipped, comes with bed and pet carrier. 227-4204.(1)

Black labs — Two, free to a good home, very mild terperments and fantastic with kids, female sisters from same litter, would prefer if they aren’t separated, AKC registered, 6 years old, all shots and microchipped. 227-9978.(3)

FOR SALE

Miscellaneous — Marshall 8100 Valvestate amp, \$150; Marshall Valvestate Design 4x12 guitar cabinet, \$300. 227-8904.(1)

Miscellaneous — Entertainment center, \$50; fence, more than 150 feet, \$1,000 OBO; awning for 4-bedroom gardens, \$500 OBO; girl’s Trek mountain bike, \$80; bunk bed, full/twin, \$100; off-road motorcycle tires, \$30; long board surfboard, 10-foot, \$500; 9-foot, \$350; short board, \$400; 10-foot 4-inch Yater Surf Tech Woodie long board, \$1,200 OBO; 10-foot custom Dick Brewer long board, blue tint, red pin stripe, \$1,600; 10-foot hard case for long board by Santa Cruz, \$450; Craftsman tool chest, \$400. 227-4169.(1)

Air conditioners — 18,000 BTU Whirlpool, second owner, \$220; 12,000 BTU Hotpoint, second owner, \$130; 10,000 BTU Fedders, original owner, \$160; 8,000 BTU Goldstar, original owner, \$140; all available for \$600. 227-2454.(1)

Phone line — \$375 OBO. 042-551-5079.(1)

Miscellaneous — Sony Minidisc recorder/player with fiber connections and remote for home system, \$120 OBO; Samsung 13-inch TV/VCR combo, only 2 months old, \$175. 227-4046.(1)

Miscellaneous — computer parts: 900mhz Athlon slot A, \$155; internal Zip-100, \$45; 20GB IMB ATA-66 5400rpm hard drive, \$60; PII 266 with motherboard, \$40; electronics: HP Sanjet 5P with SCSI card, \$40; Kenwood 107VR Dolby Surround receiver, \$45; 15-inch monitor, \$40; 6GB hard drive, \$20. 227-4086.(1)

Baby items — Jenny Lind changing table, maple brown, used only four months, \$25; Safety 1st lady bug exersauser with toys, \$25; Fisher Price musical garden activity center, \$20; Disney babies music and picture projector, \$5; infant boys clothes, excellent condition, size 3-6 months, up to 12 months, great for someone who had a baby in late January/early February; maternity jeans, size 6 and 8; shorts size S, \$5. 227-5187.(1)

Computer — 133mhz Pentium I, 64MB, 14-inch monitor, 11GB hard drive, CD ROM, floppy drive, \$350 OBO. 227-5253.(1)

Miscellaneous — Large air conditioner, almost new, keeps lower level of 4-bedroom garden cool in hottest months, \$225; two small window units, \$125 each; porch awning, \$50. 227-2366.(1)

Miscellaneous — Camcorder with accessories, \$100; 27-inch RCA TV, \$100; 15-inch PC monitor; Canon printer with new color and black/white cartridges; SCSI scanner, \$10; games, \$1; RCA surround receiver; all items for best offer. 227-3753.(2)

DVD player — Panasonic home theater system, 5-disc DVD, CD and video receiver, somes with five Surround Sound speakers and a subwoofer, 4 months old, cost \$650, asking \$450. 227-4146.(2)

Bed — Blue race car toddler bed with mattress, in excellent condition, bedding also available, hardly slept in, \$100 OBO. 227-5037.(2)

Fish tank — 40-gallon fish tank with all the extras, rocks, filter, air pump, glass tops, ntes, lamp, heater, extra plants and accessories, includes three red bell piranhas, \$300. 227-5191.(2)

Sony Playstation — Less than 6 months old, with box and two controllers, \$50 OBO. 227-5639.(2)

Miscellaneous — Queen-size bed frame, new, with center support, \$45; four Bridgestone tires on 5 Star rims, low profile 14’s. 227-4128.(2)

Japanese refrigerator — In excellent condition, three compartments, 5-feet 10-inches high, \$100, you call/you haul. 090-8054-8124.(2)

VCR — Symphonic HQ video cassette recorder, in great condition, \$40. 227-5255.(2)

Miscellaneous — Phillips CDR 765/ CD recorder/player, \$300; Huffy mountain bike, \$35. 227-8762.(2)

Patio awning — For 3-bedroom garden, excellent condition, \$250. 227-9658.(2)

Wedding dress — Beautiful white, sequinz, size 12, wedding dress, a must see, \$400. 227-3972.(2)

Baby/toddler bed — In very good condition, includes mattress, \$100. 227-9980.(2)

Monitor — Compaq 19-inch monitor, \$200. 090-8465-8518.(3)

Air conditioners — Three air conditioners, in good condition, \$250 total; 3-bedroom east side unit awning, in good condition, free with purchase of air conditioners. 227-2244.(3)

Scanner — Cannon Canoscan FB 630P parallel flatbed scanner, used a few times then placed back in original package, like new, cost \$95, asking \$70. 227-2930.(3)

more than two ads per family, per week. Ads will run for one week, possibly longer space permitting. The Fuji Flyer deadline is noon Wednesday the week before publication. For holidays the deadline is noon Tuesday the week before publication.

VEHICLES

1987 Toyota — Van with sunroof, JCI until Oct., automatic, power everything, A/C, heat, AM/FM cassette, \$1,000 OBO. 227-2366.(1)

1987 Toyota — Carina, JCI until Nov. 2002, automatic, power everything, A/C, heat, AM/FM cassette, \$900 OBO. 227-2366.(1)

1993 Mercedes — Benz 420SE, JCI until May 2002, sunroof, TV, CD, power everything, \$5,500 OBO. 227-4957.(1)

1990 Toyota — Camry, white, 4-door, power windows, A/C, JCI until July 2002, reliable family car, \$1,700 OBO. 227-5568.(1)

1991 Toyota — Chaser, JCI until May 2002, automatic, V-6, power everything, 17-inch rims, \$2,300 OBO. 227-4960.(1)

1990 Nissan — Bluebird, very nice interior and exterior, power steering, brakes, windows and locks, A/C, great family car, \$1,100 OBO. 227-4408.(1)

1989 Toyota — Town Ace SuperExtra van, JCI until Aug. 2002, automatic, A/C front and rear, runs great, reliable, \$1,300 OBO. 227-7334.(1)

1991 Honda — Ascot, 4-door, automatic, JCI until March 2002, \$2,000 OBO. 227-5112.(1)

1994 Mitsubishi — Sports model, black, AM/FM cassette, power windows and door locks, automatic, new battery, brakes and JCI, runs great, \$2,500 OBO. 264-6424.(1)

1995 Honda — XR250 Baja motorcycle, \$2,500. 227-2279.(1)

1988 Nissan — Homey van, \$800. 263-7978.(1)

1992 YZR200 — Dirt bike, in good condition, \$800. 263-7978.(1)

1987 Subaru — Samber Try, 4-wheel drive, JCI until Oct., silver, good running condition, good for carrying large items, must see, \$900 OBO. 042-557-3537.(1)

1994 Mitsubishi — RVR, automatic, power everything, JCI until Aug., recent tune up, excellent condition, \$3,200. 227-8191.(1)

1988 Toyota — Tercel, 2-door hatchback, JCI until Oct., 41,000 miles, tires with 8,000 miles, A/C, air filtering system and radio, runs well, \$899 OBO. 227-2244.(1)

1992 Honda — Vigor, JCI until Feb. 2003, good condition, runs smooth, clean interior, power everything, Carozzeria AM/FM, CD, cassette with remote, 10-CD changer, alloy wheels, cruise control, dark gray, automatic, \$2,700. 227-4428.(1)

1991 Nissan — Skyline, GTS-t, HCR32 turbo charged inline 6, automatic, Pioneer MD deck and speaker system, A/C, power everything, well maintained, very reliable, \$2,950 OBO. 227-3958.(1)

1990 Nissan — Pulsar, 42,000 K, automatic, A/C, power windows, locks, mirrors, JCI until Aug. 2002, \$1,600 OBO.

227-3958.(1)

1989 Honda — Prelude, black, clean, strong running, 4-wheel steering, ABS, low mileage, two years JCI, \$2,000. 227-2454.(1)

1985 Toyota — Lite Ace, available mid-April, clean, good condition, nice family car, two years JCI, low price, \$1,500. 227-2454.(1)

1989 Honda — Accord, good condition, JCI until June 2002, sunroof, power windows and locks, A/C, AM/FM cassette, \$1,500 OBO. 042-551-5079.(1)

1989 Nissan — Maxima, 4-door, power everything, well-maintained, extremely reliable, JCI until May, priced to sell, \$800. 227-9109.(1)

1991 Toyota — Carina, 4-door, gray with dark interior, sunroof, AM/FM cassette, JCI until June 2002, in great shape, \$2,500. 227-4445.(2)

1988 Mercedes Benz — 190E, charcoal, A/C, sunroof, power everything, Eibach suspension, Pirelli tires, Premium rims, JCI until Sept., \$5,500. 227-8904.(2)

1989 Toyota — Levin, JCI until Dec., 2-door, power everything, A/C, automatic, sunroof, adjustable suspension, excellent condition, \$1,300 OBO. 227-7334.(2)

1988 Honda — Civic, 4-door sedan, black, 85,000 K, automatic, A/C, AM/FM cassette, JCI until Oct., well maintained, reliable engine, tilt wheel, split rear seats, power windows and mirrors, \$1,295. 224-3435.(2)

1992 Nissan — Terrano, 4-wheel drive, automatic with power options, AM/FM cassette, A/C, JCI until July 2002, in excellent condition, \$4,500 OBO. 227-4152.(2)

1987 Suzuki — GSXR-1100, U.S. model and specs, 140hp plus, blue/white with leather jacket, many new parts and extra parts, \$1,500. 227-9444.(2)

1988 Honda — Civic, hatchback, automatic, JCI until March 2003, just passed base inspection, runs good, must sell, \$1,300. 090-6103-7120.(2)

1995 Toyota — Caldina station wagon, automatic, power everything, JCI until Feb. 2002, great family car, must sell, \$3,000 OBO. 090-6103-7120.(2)

1989 Toyota — Mark II, full new Kenwood system, JCI until Nov. 2002, Amp, CD, tape, Yokohoma tires and 18-inch rims, must sell, \$3,500. 090-8465-8515.(3)

1994 Honda — CBR 900 Fireblade, Vance/Hines jet kit, powerpack, Yoshimura pipe, shift kit, timing advancer, JCI until May, low price for quick sale, \$4,500. 227-2827.(3)

1994 Nissan — Primera, AM/FM, CD, A/C, automatic, power windows, excellent condition, JCI until Jan. 2003, \$3,200. 227-6313.(3)

1988 Toyota — Levin, black/gold, automatic, A/C and heater, excellent interior/exterior, runs great, JCI until Nov., \$1,300 OBO. 227-4036.(3)

1990 Nissan — Pulsar, T-top, red, JCI until July, power everything, Kenwood cassette, very reliable. 227-4923.(3)

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“Quotes” & Things

“I would like to think of myself as an athlete first, but I don’t want to do a disservice to the real ones.”

David Duval, golf star on golfers’ athleticism

World Karate Grand Prix:

Get free tickets to the World Pro-Karate Grand Prix and International Friendship Exchange March 25 at the Yujo Recreation Center, The Main Fitness Center, the Natatorium, The east Youth Center, and the West Youth Center.



Callaway Golf Demo:

Representatives from Callaway Golf Company will be at Tama Hills Golf Course Saturday from 1pm to 4pm for a special demonstration of new products on the driving range. Stop by the demonstration after a game of golf to learn about the latest in golf technology and how to improve your game.



Aerobics classes: The natatorium now has free aerobics class Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. The class is geared towards military members enrolled in the Fitness Improvement Program, but is open to anyone wishing to participate.

Tour De Tama IX:

Competitors acn sign up at Outdoor Recreation for the mountain bike race through the Tama Hill recreation area May 12. There are separate categories for different skill levels and a barbeque lunch after the event, For more information call 225-4552.



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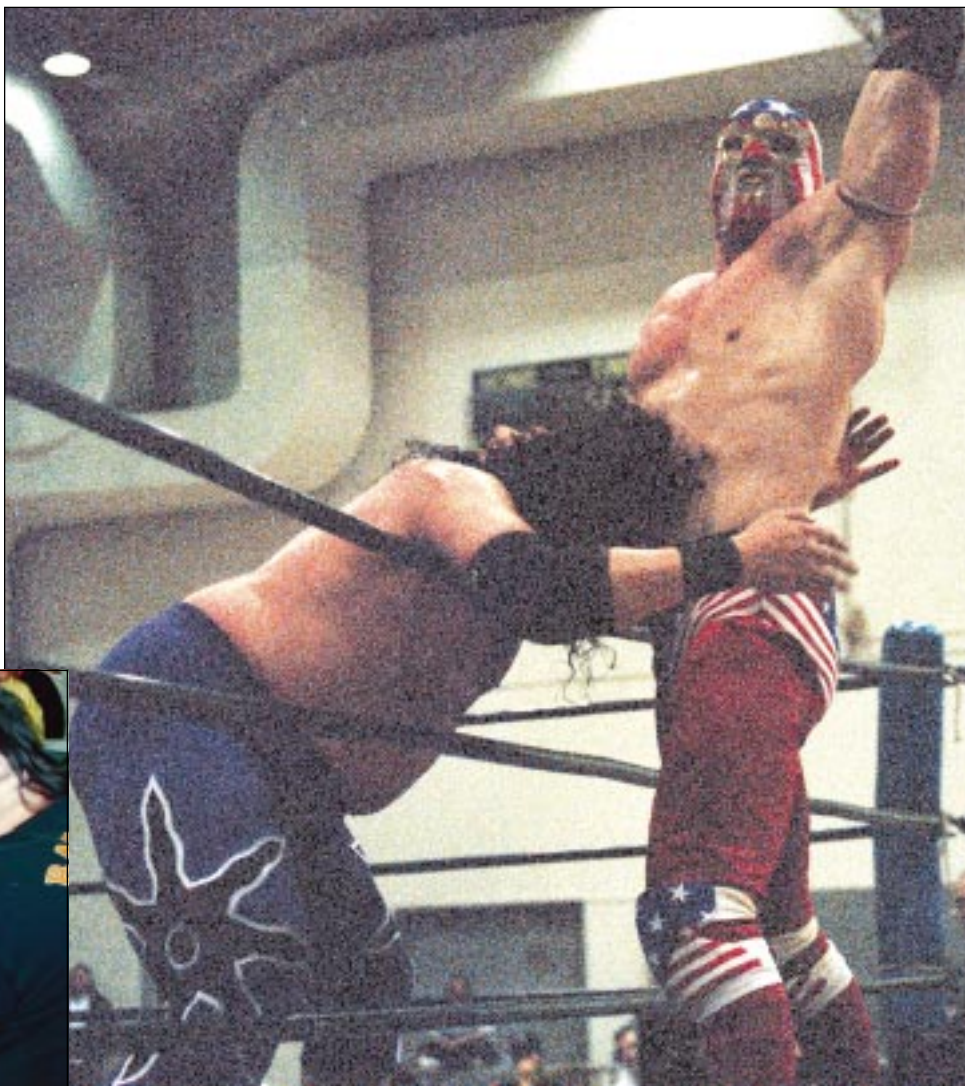
Get ready to rumble

The Main Fitness Center hosted a troop of professional wrestlers Saturday. The troop included few former wrestlers from the World Wrestling Federation and the World Championship Wrestling as well as others..

Right, former WWF wrestler “The Patriot” holds former WWF wrestler “Samu” to the ropes during one of the matches held Saturday.

Below, Tomoko Lahee gets an autograph from “One Man Gang”, another one of the attractions at the MFC.

Other wrestlers were: Brandi Alexander, formerly of the WCW; Malia Hosaka of the WWA; The Universal Heart Throb, Don Juan; , Eric Matlock, Ricky Reyes, Sun Warrior, Under pressure and Ali Bah Sinh.



photos by Yasuo Osakabe



Annual SnoFest weekend attracts 3,000 people

By Capt. Sean McKenna

Air Force Space Command Public Affairs

The U.S. military took control of a small mountain resort village March 2-4 for Operation SnoFest — equipped with skis and snowboards.

Nearly 3,000 military and family members descended on Copper Mountain, 75 miles west of Denver, for a weekend of win-

ter activities. It was all part of SnoFest, an annual excursion co-sponsored by Air Force Space Command and the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Airmen, soldiers, sailors and Marines from more than a dozen installations joined families and friends to take part in the ski weekend.

Besides leisure skiing, people engaged in snowboarding,

snowmobiling, tubing and ski races, and enjoyed parties both evenings. Children and teenagers were entertained by clowns, face painters, caricature artists, broomstick hockey games and all-night youth center parties.

“This was our first time skiing and the kids have absolutely fallen in love with it,” said Staff Sgt. Dallas McCarter, U.S. Air Force Academy 36th Cadet Squadron military

training leader. “They have had so much fun, we had to practically pull them off the mountain.”

Each evening, SnoFest guests gathered at parties inside the lodges where the revelers traded tales of the slopes. Additionally, more than \$60,000 in corporate prizes was given away in raffles and contests during the three days. (Courtesy of AFSPC News Service)●

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